

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

CENTRAL PARK FUND.

OPENING THE BIDS FOR THE FIVE AND SIX PER CENT LOAN.

In pursuance of the notice issued by the Comptroller for bids for \$1,800,000 at five per cent, redeemable in forty-two years, and \$1,600,000 at six per cent, redeemable in three years—the bids were yesterday opened in the presence of the Comptroller and the Chamberlain.

BIDS FOR THE FIVE PER CENT.

Searle's Bank for Savings—\$30,000 at par.

\$20,000 at 5% prem.

John Dowling—\$30,000 at 5% prem.

Brooklyn Savings Bank—\$30,000 at 5% prem.

Franklin Franklin—\$200 at 5% prem.

Hugh Martin—\$1,000 at 5% prem.

Irving Savings Institution—\$20,000 at 5% prem.

Townsend M. Burris—\$3,100 at par.

America Power—\$5,000 at par.

J. B. Stetson—\$4,000 at par.

J. Wilkins—\$4,000 at par.

Martins' Savings Bank—\$20,000 at par.

J. Munson—\$5,000 at par.

Peter Turner—\$10,000 at 5% pt. dis.

J. H. Atkinson—\$10,000 at 5% prem.

J. A. Power—\$4,000 at par.

Edmund H. Townsend—\$1,000 at par.

Prime, Ward & Co.—\$600,000 at 5% pt. prem.

J. H. Tandy—\$10,000 at 5% pt. prem.

J. Thorpe—\$100,000 at 5% pt. prem.

The following Evans tenued for the amount of their awards without stating the amount awarded:

W. S. Wright, John B. Adams, N. C. Seagrist, G. V. Allen, G. C. L. W. P. Ferris, G. H. Howe and Michael Doherty at 5 per cent.

W. S. Wright, W. P. Moore, S. Ward, Amos Livingston, Ezra B. Weston, Charles Davis and M. L. Baldwin at 5 per cent.

W. S. Wright, 50,000 at par.

Robert Latson—\$5,000 at par.

G. Shur—\$25,000 at par.

Henry Wood—\$20,000 at par.

Malin Shady—\$10,000 in fund, \$24,800.

There were also some blue bow par, some as low as nine per cent discount that could not be entertained as the law forbids the name of blue bow par.

The rest of the bid, \$1,400 at 5% pt. dis., was not taken. The Comptroller announced that if any person having an award in his favor, chose he might have five per cent stock at par to the amount of their award. Then if the day after the five per cent stock was not taken, the application would have to be made to the legislature to enable the Comptroller to return a further sum at six per cent, and for a shorter time than forty-two years.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

This Board held their first meeting of the April session last evening—the President in the chair.

SARAH ON THE HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD IN THE CITY, ETC.

The petition of several property owners to have the use of steam discontinued in the Hudson River Railroad south of Fifty-third street, and that city cars be run below said street to the termination at Warren street. Referred.

The petition of Frank J. Robinson gave Broadway with its cars to him a right of way.

The petition of H. Skinner, remonstrating against the proposed extension of Chambers street, and complaining of not having had an opportunity of being heard. Referred.

The petition of J. Prentiss to have Chambers street extended through the Park to a place. Referred.

The petition of a merchant and others urging the necessity of appointing an inspector of Firewood, as much dissatisfaction exists among dealers in the article, arising from a want of uniform regulation as to what constitutes a fit article of fuel. A resolution was adopted for a "house of Croton water" for sprinkling the streets. Of Edward Clapp, for a contract to groove Broadway. All referred.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CORPORATION COUNCIL AND COMMISSIONERS.

A communication was received from Mr. L. B. Shepard, Council to Corporation, giving his opinion in answer to a resolution as to who's, under the charters or other authority conferred by law, the Mayor and Comptroller can call a convention for revising the constitution, etc., from Broadway. The Council said the Mayor, in the circumstances the Mayor may exercise such a power, in accordance with the resolution of April 8, 1854. Whether the motion of the Mayor referred to is within the purview of that resolution depends upon facts which are not now known. The Council said, however, no power in the Senate or in the Council to do so, however, will probably be shortly settled by that tribunal. Ordered to be printed.

A communication was received from Comptroller Flagg in regard to the regulations for grading and assessing real estate. The Comptroller says he is called on to assess assessment bonds and make advances on a contract for grading and making available from Fifty ninth to Eighty-second street under circumstances which do not, in his judgment, warrant a continuation of advertising the same. These premises are those signs high the cellar are bad condition, the sinks filthy, and the ventilation poor. In the summer season these premises are known to be very filthy, and not the least at eaves windows are liable to fall, either by the owner or agent, unless one, apparently, being to make some repair, in the same an entire disregard to all law whatever."

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